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during which this work should be finished
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necessity of cleanliness in its efforts to
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rigorously prosecute any owner in default
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method, that involves the conquest and subjugation of the peoples. Europe, remembering how many ladies, Captain Hobson has kissed, will take this challenge respectfully; but, as the young hero, charmingly notes, it must be backed by ships. You cannot establish the Monroe Doctrine handily in Asia without a navy superior to all other navies. Britain maintains a considerable naval power; but Captain Hobson sees in this merely "a stepping-stone" for American supremacy. Indeed, the proportions would not be strained if the Navy of the United States equalled the combined navies of the earth. Nothing less can cope with the responsibilities to which Americans are beckoned by the "finger of fate" and the "will of God." For the commercial destinies of China play but a small part in this sublime ambition. The whole human race is to be taken under the tutelage of Uncle Sam. "Being the only fundamentally peaceful people of the world, we are constituted the advocates and champions of peace for the world." When it comes to slaughter, America can boast the biggest heart, though Captain Hobson impresses upon us that the maximum of fighting efficiency was attained for the only time in history when the Spaniards were defeated at Manila without loss to the victor. But having achieved the highest conceivable glory in war, the only fundamentally peaceful people intend to keep all the nations in concord. War that would injure Britain, Germany, France, would injure American markets. "An injury to any part of the human race would be an injury to us and the whole race." Black and yellow peoples must be forcibly befriended, as, for instance, the negro is befriended in the Southern States, against the tyranny of white races with imperfect moral development. How secure this beneficent and save by that naval dominance which will enable the United States to "dictate peace to the world." So Captain Hobson entreasts "all earnest men and women, who wish for the reign of peace and goodwill upon earth," to labour for the world-wide domination of his country as "the bulwark of human liberty, the agent of peace, the instrument of brotherly love."

After this demonstration of sea-power, which, as Captain Hobson says, does not strain proportions or overstate the case, Captain Mahan is in some danger of eclipse. He may have a vision of his young disciple patrolling the universe with an American ironclad, waving Russia out of Manchuria, and the monarchical methods of the French Republic out of Madagascar. British power in India should have a short shift when Captain Hobson has delivered a few short addresses on "sacred principles" from the prow of a United States cutter in the Ganges. He has plenty of time. The American Navy, if the earnest men and women will co-operate, should be ready for universal war by 1930, when Captain Hobson will be in the prime of life. He shows that, by creating this Navy, the American taxpayer will remain unconscious of even the slightest burden, and will enjoy the "wholesome tonic" of administering the liberties of the world. "Breathing the purer air of such an" exalted station would quicken the pulse of the nation, and send a brighter, stronger current to eliminate meretriciousness from all the tissues of the body politic, offsetting tendencies towards commercialism and materialism. Perhaps Captain Hobson will take Tammany and the "Trusts" for a sea-voyage, and maroon them.

Siamese Currency.
The Bangkok Times of November 28 says that the banks were doing no business. A meeting of the rice-millers' association was called. The Banco Co. shut down their rice mills, and Messrs Markwald & Co. (The Banks submitted the following claims to the Government:—
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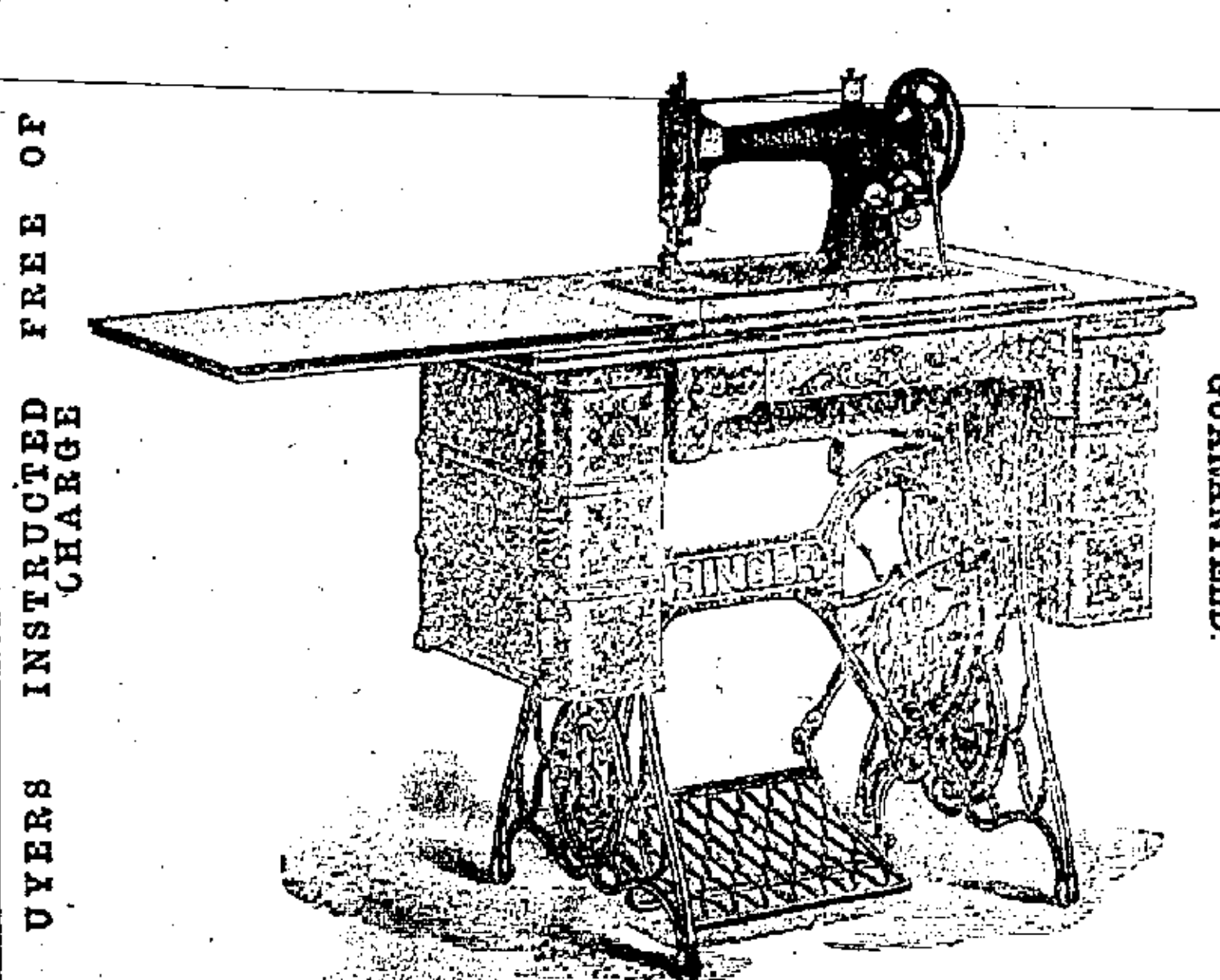
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Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	980	6	1400	Lieut.-Com. Murray Leachart	Hankow
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Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	85	2	240	Fleet Reserve	Hongkong
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Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	5600	11	9000	Commodore Robinson	Hongkong
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	450	6	2	Lt.-Com. R. W. Dalgety	Hankow
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	180	2	800	Lieut. Forbes	Woosung
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	383	3	200	Lt.-Com. Ernest C. Hardy	Xmas Island
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	980	10	1400	Lt.-Com. C. Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	620	6	450	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	360	6	3900	Lieut.-Com. Chilcott	Shanghai
Cherub	gunboat, 1st class	150	2	550		
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** Flag of Rear-Admiral Harry T. Grenfell, C.M.G.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported
Kaiser Karl VI	Austrian user	6250	20	12,810	Captain Dreidger	Nanking
Albatross	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Belloy	Shanghai
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Oupin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	—	—	—	Commander Journet	Singapore
Avalanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Fille	Canton River
Bengali	French gunboat	4009	19	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Haiphong
Bugeaud	French cruiser	525	—	—	Capt. Lefevre	Nanking
Comete	French gunboat	690	—	—	Commander Loeul	Haiphong
Decidiee	French gunboat	814	14	13,500	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
D'Entrecasteaux	French flag-ship	3739	10	9000	Captain Fournet	Tonkin
Friant	French cruiser	1250	6	2200	Captain Serris	Woosung
Guine	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Le Gollieur	Tonkin
Guine	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bécus	Saigon
Guine	French gunboat	392	14	2600	Capt. Huret	Yangtze
Guine	French gunboat	9437	8	6071	Captain Seuss	Shanghai
Guine	French gunboat	1800	—	—	Captain Bonifay	Kobe
Guine	French gunboat	623	2	900	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
Guine	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Morne	Shanghai
Guine	French gunboat	400	4	441	Captain Blondel	Yanchow
Guine	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Villeneuve	Along Bay
Guine	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Villeneuve	Canton
Guine	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Villeneuve	Saigon
Bussard	German gunboat	1600	8	2900	Comdr. von Bassewitz	Kiautschou
First Bismarck	German gunboat	11,000	36	14,000	Captain Friedrich	Hongkong
Griet	German gunboat	1600	8	2900	Comdr. Berger	Singapore
Hansa	German gunboat	8000	20	10,000	Comdr. Paschen	Shanghai
Herschel	German gunboat	6000	20	10,000	Capt. Derzewski	Shanghai
Hus	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Lieut.-Commander Stamer	Canton
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1800	Comdr. Wuthmann	Kobe
Lucie	German gunboat	550	10	1600	Commander Hilbrand	Yangtze
Schwabe	German gunboat	1120	8	1600	Comdr. Hoffmann	Singapore
Seeadler	German gunboat	1600	8	2800	Comdr. Schradner	Nanking
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1800	Comdr. Schradner	Hongkong
Vorposten	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Weiss	Shanghai
Thetis	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Weiss	Shanghai
Lombardia	Italian cruiser	2900	10	6843	Captain John Boet	Shanghai
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	4583	16	10,543	Captain Botti	Woosung
Puglia	Italian cruiser	2250	10	7000	Captain Canale	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4500	14	6820	Captain Zesi	Shanghai
Diu	Portuguese gunboat	750	—	—	Captain d'Azavedo	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barboza Leal	Macao
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian cruiser	9000	18	8000	Captain Steinhilber	Singapore
Albatross	Russian gunboat	810	6	720	Comdr. Guinter	Vladivostok
Amur	Russian gunboat	2600	8	4700	Comdr. Granatichko	Port Arthur
Dobro	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Zaslavsky	Novchwang
Gadama	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comdr. Yuriev	Port Arthur
Gromoboi	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	Port Arthur
Gullik	Russian gunboat	12,384	44	14,500	Captain Jasson	Nagasaki
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	Hankow
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Novakowsky	Nanking
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Comdr. Novakowsky	Vladivostok
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Vasileff	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	12,074	18	14,500	Captain Koroleff	Nagasaki
Korietz	Russian gunboat	10,960	16	10,600	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
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Korietz	Russian gunboat	1334	10	1788	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	12,300	32	17,000	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	10,923	26	12,250	Capt. Matusevich	Nagasaki
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Korietz	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Lieut.-Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1120	Comdr. Ginter	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	6500	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Comdr. Zagarsky-Kissel	Port Arthur
Korietz	Russian gunboat	1230	6	1194	Comdr. Abramoff	Port Arthur
Annopolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	10	1277	Commander Karl Rohrer	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1159	8	1600	Commander C. G. Bowman	Manila
General Alava	U. S. gunboat	1830	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. J. M. Helm	Manila
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1988	Lieut.-Comdr. W. P. Hale	Hongkong
Kentucky	U. S. gunboat	11,500	24	10,000	Comdr. R. R. Ingersoll	Hongkong
Manila	U. S. gunboat	1800	2	750	Captain C. H. Stockton	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	3080	6	3000	Comdr. T. H. Stevens	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	1370	6	850	Comdr. F. M. Wise	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	4149	4	5244	Comdr. Drake	Hongkong
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	4149	4	5244	Lieut.-Comdr. Sperry	Hongkong
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	8200	24	17,401	Captain M. R. S. Mackenzie	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	800	Commander J. E. Selfridge	Nagasaki
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	1000	10	1118	Commander E. B. Barry	Hongkong
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	1397	8	1604	Commander E. S. Frim	Manila
Monadnock	U. S. gunboat	1710	6	1801	Commander Ward	Hongkong</

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Wines, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Jewellery at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's Sales Rooms.

Miscellaneous.
2.30 p.m.—Competition for Nursery Cup and Spoons, &c., of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

General Memoranda.

Monday, December 15:—Goods per *Nürnberg* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Tuesday, December 16:—5.30 p.m.—Meeting of *Perseverance* Lodge.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1902.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The 'City of Peking.'
The Pacific Mail steamer *City of Peking* went on her trial trip at Kobe on the 4th inst., after receiving her new tail shaft. The trial was a most successful one in every way. Everything worked smoothly, and the ship made a speed of 15 knots. The work was carried out by the Kawasaki Dock Co. The *City of Peking* is the largest vessel yet docked in Kobe.

Admiral Grenfell's Squadron.
H.M.S. *Albion*, *Cressy* and *Blenheim* arrived at Singapore on the 5th inst., having made the run down from Hongkong in less than five days. The *Albion* was expected to go on to Bangkok, and then to rejoin the two others at Singapore. It is supposed that this little squadron has been sent south as a counterpoise to the Russian squadron now on its way East.

Rugby Football.
To-morrow afternoon, on the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club (1st XV.) will play H.M.S. *Glory*, under Rugby rules. Kick-off at 4 p.m. The Club will play in striped jerseys. The following will play for the Club:—Lieut. Campbell, full back; H. Arthur, Ian Graham, T. E. Pearce, and T. J. Hallett, three-quarters; J. P. Jordan and Lieut. Heath, halves; E. R. Hallifax, E. D. C. Wolfe, O. T. Barnes, W. Cooper, P. Golding, H. F. Chard, A. Boyd and W. W. Clark (captain), forwards.

Music at Hongkong Hotel.
By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Birdwood and Officers, the Band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening, from 8 to 9.30 p.m.:—

March: "A Frangese".....Costa Valse....."España".....Waldteufel Selection: "Runaway Girl".....Cayll Song: "Promise of Life".....Cover Valse: "Sourire D'Avril".....Deprot Barn: "Happy Dances".....Godfrey

Sir T. Lipton—and the King.
The intercourse which exists between His Majesty King Edward and the tea-merchant has enabled Sir Thomas Lipton to approach the King on a matter that requires to be pushed forward (says the *Times of Ceylon*). The following telegram from New York to the London papers, received on the 4th ult., will show what success he is alleged to have achieved:—Sir Thomas Lipton has written a letter to General Corbin, in which he says he has had an interview with King Edward, who indicated his intention to appoint a Special Commissioner to represent Great Britain in connection with the St. Louis Exposition in 1904, and informed Sir Thomas that the Government proposed to take other steps to interest people in the Exposition. Sir Thomas Lipton adds that he represented to the King that the cordial relations between the two countries would be strengthened if the United Kingdom were well represented at the Exposition. The matter is now the subject of correspondence between the British Foreign Office and Mr. Choate, the United States Ambassador in London.

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A Weihaiwei Boom.
That there is gold in the hills round Weihaiwei is well known (says the *N.C. Daily News*), and for years mining has been carried on there by Chinese with their primitive appliances. Quartz mining has ceased since the Japanese captured Weihaiwei, and though several British syndicates started three years ago, they could make no progress as long as Weihaiwei was under military rule. When the agents at home went to the Foreign Office for permission, they were referred to the War Office; the War Office referred them to the Admiralty; here the officials were just as adept in the great art of "How not to do it," and referred them to the Colonial Office; and it was not until Mr. Stewart Lockhart was firmly seated as Commissioner that anything could be done. He has given the mine owners every help and encouragement. He is very anxious that serious mining operations should be started without further loss of time, and mining regulations based on those working in other British colonies have been drawn up. The two principal syndicates owning mining areas, which there is every reason to believe are very rich, have agreed to amalgamate their properties, and a company is in course of formation to acquire the combined interests. The directors of this proposed company have sent Mr. Duff, who is well known in connection with Korean mining, to make an independent inspection of and report on the respective properties, and his report is awaited with great interest. He was unfortunately a passenger on the steamer "Ensigne Henri" when she was wrecked, and his instruments and personal effects suffered considerably from immersion. It will be a great thing for Weihaiwei as well as for many Shanghai residents if his report turns out to be so favourable as it is expected to be.

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Notes by the Way.
Li Yung-ik has been degraded at Seoul, and all the Ministers have resigned, but nobody knows why.

It is authoritatively declared in Moscow that Port Arthur will henceforward be purely a fortress.

It will cost Sir T. Lipton upwards of £20,000 sterling to compete for the America Cup.

A live torpedo, lost by the destroyer *Yukiri*, is wandering somewhere in the neighbourhood of Inafukuiki.

Two new steamers are being built in Japan for the N. Y. K. These steamers are to be put on the North China run.

Firewood is being shipped in large quantities from Singapore to Bangkok. This looks like carrying coals to Newcastle.

The Siamese royal yacht arrived at Nagasaki on the 3rd inst. on her way to Yokohama to meet the Crown Prince of Siam.

It was at a wild duck hunting party on the Imperial estate of Niuhama, Chiba prefecture, that the death of Colonel Buck occurred.

Four natives in Bombay have been poisoned by taking strychnia served by mistake by a servant in a local dispensary. Two died in a few hours.

The new Nippon Yusen Kaisha Australian liner, *Niko Mori* (5000 tons) will be launched from the Mitsui Bishi yard at Nagasaki about June next.

Marquis Ito has not yet come to an understanding with the Premier Count Katsura, but the Opposition in the Japanese Diet does not want a dissolution.

The steamer *Waldene*, reported ashore on the Batu Berhanti Shoal near Singapore, got off about noon on 5th inst., after discharging 200 tons of cargo.

Commander Halsey, who served with the *Powder* during the Siege of Ladysmith, is the Commander of the *Good Hope*, now on her way to South Africa with Mr. Chamberlain.

A Russian was sentenced to seven years' hard labour in the Japanese Court at Nagasaki on the 3rd inst. for drugging a friend at Unzen last August and stealing 500 roubles from him.

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Interport Football.
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Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has 70 steamers with a total of 221,871 tons and 15,791 horse power. There are six steamers under construction with a total of 19,200 tons.

Polo Match.
By kind permission of Colonel Candy and the Officers of the 14th Bombay Infantry, the Band will play on the Polo Ground on Saturday, the 13th inst., at 4 p.m., when a match will be played.

The Regatta.
The race for the Lusitano Cup, postponed on Wednesday, will take place at 4.30 to-morrow afternoon, over the Regatta course. A launch will leave Blake Pier at 4 p.m. to take over officials, competitors and those who wish to follow the race.

Cholera in the Philippines.
Epidemics of Cholera are occurring throughout most of the Philippine Islands. Down to the 2nd inst., there had been 115,434 recorded cases and 73,479 deaths. Many cases must have gone unrecorded.

Proposed Shanghai Lottery.
On the 7th inst., the Rev. C. E. Darwent preached in Union Church, Shanghai, on the recent proposal of the Municipal Council to grant a monopoly to a Chinese to run a public lottery in the Settlement for the sum of \$150,000 a year. Mr. Darwent's sermon was a strong denunciation of all lotteries.

Rice Trade in the Philippines.
The price of rice has been broken (says the *Manila Times* of the 2nd inst.), and sales have been made as low as \$6.20 per picul. The fall in price is regarded as a direct result of the action of the Philippine Government in making extensive purchases to protect its people not only from famine but from exorbitant prices for a food that is staple with them. The first break in the price occurred at Saigon, where it was suddenly discovered that the visible supply greatly exceeded the estimates made two months ago.

The Cost of Soldiers.
In the House of Commons on the 8th ult., Sir E. Villiers asked the Secretary of State for War if he could state the approximate average annual cost of an Infantry soldier of the Line, a Cavalry soldier; a Militiaman, an Imperial Yeoman, and a Volunteer. Mr. Brodbeck:—The average annual cost of a private of each of the arms mentioned is approximately as follows:—Infantry of the Line, £52s. 6d.; Cavalry of the Line, £58s. 6d.; Militia (Imperial Yeomanry), £19s. 6d.; Volunteers £6. The cost of Infantry and Cavalry respectively, after April 1, 1904, when the increased pay takes effect, will be £59s. 6d. and £65s. 6d.

The New Transport Medal.
His Majesty has been pleased to approve of the establishment of a special medal to be awarded by the Lords Commissioners of Admiralty, in accordance with strictly defined rules, to the officers of the Mercantile Marine serving in chartered troop transports, in recognition of the extreme efficiency with which the troping service has been performed in the recent South African and China Wars. It is His Majesty's intention that the Transport Medal shall be granted in future wars to the officers of the Mercantile Marine serving in Troop Transports similarly chartered whenever a War Medal may have been granted to the troops engaged, but not otherwise. The Medal and Ribbon will denote the particular war in connection with which the service has been performed.

Escape of Convicts.
The *Manila Times* of the 1st inst. says:—Shortly before noon, the U. S. C. T. *Formosa* arrived in the bay from Zamboanga, Mindanao, and docked at the foot of Calle Principe. She had on board three military convicts who were en route, under guard, to Malahi Penal Island to serve long sentences given to them by a general court-martial for breaking into and robbing a safe in the commissary depot in Zamboanga. They were Privates Maher, McDonnell and Charles Merrill, all formerly of the 15th Cavalry. The guard over them consisted of Sergeant Ancoos and three privates of the 15th Cavalry. The sergeant, leaving the privates to look after the prisoners, started up town to arrange for the transportation to the prison island, when the report of rifle shots caused him to return in haste to the transport. There he discovered that the three convicts had broken arrest. Merrill was almost immediately captured. Maher and McDonnell had not been re-arrested at the time of going to press. The former was handcuffed when he got away and McDonnell succeeded in slipping his off before he made the dash for liberty. All of the river and Harbor Police and the force at the Analogue station are after the two convicts yet at liberty, and it is believed they will soon be recaptured. Subsequently, McDonnell was arrested.

Home Football.
The following are the latest results to hand by the German mail, which arrived this morning:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.
At Blackburn, Blackburn Rovers (3) beat Everton (2).
At West Bromwich, West Bromwich Albion (2) beat Notts Forest (0).
At Derby, Derby County (3) beat Wolverhampton Wanderers (1).
At Sheffield, Sheffield Wednesday (2) beat Bury (0).
At Middlesbrough, Sheffield United (2) beat Middlesbrough (0).
At Newcastle, Liverpool (2) beat Newcastle United (1).
At Stoke, Sunderland and Stoke drew—one all.

At Trent Bridge, Notts County (2) beat Aston Villa (1).
At Grimsby, Bolton Wanderers and Grimsby Town drew—one all.
Manchester City and Lincoln City still lead the Second Division, with Small Heath and Woolwich Arsenal only a point behind. Reading heads the Southern League, with Bristol Rovers second, Southampton third and Portsmouth fourth.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.
At Dundee, Dundee (one) beat Celtic (none).
At Edinburgh, St. Mirren (three) beat Heart of Midlothian (one).
At Glasgow, Hibernians (three) beat Queen's Park (one).
At Greenock, Greenock Morton (four) beat Port Glasgow (three).
At Kilmarnock, Kilmarnock (two) drew 3rd Lanark (two).
At Partick, Glasgow Rangers (four) beat Partick Thistle (two).

RUSSIAN LEAGUE.
Richmond (9) points beat Gloucester (5).
Hartlepool (21) beat Marlborough Nomads (0).
London Scottish (32) beat Old Leysians (0).
Rosslyn Park (10) beat London Irish (6).
London Welsh (12) beat Aberystwyth (3).
Blackheath (8) beat Northampton (0).
Oxford University (10) beat Bristol (6).
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Devonport Albion (15) beat Cardiff (0).
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Golf.
A driving competition at Singapore resulted in a win for Mr. R. T. Reid, with a drive of 194 yards. Mr. Longmuir, who was second, drove 172 yards.

American Football.
West Point won the football game from Annapolis at Philadelphia, on the 29th ult., by a score of 22 to 8. It was a sweeping victory, carrying with it permanent possession of the silver trophy for which the teams of the two academies have been competing since 1899, and there is great joy in the army. News of the victory reached Manila on the following day in a cablegram to Captain Langhorne, of General Davis' staff, and it was at once communicated to the officers throughout the division. The game closes the season for the army team, which has made an unusual record. Harvard alone succeeded in beating the eleven which won every other game save a tie with Yale.

Cost of Japanese Soldiers.
A Moscow Correspondent writes that the *St. Petersburg Gazette* gives some interesting figures about the Japanese Army. According to these figures Japan has almost doubled her Army in the past ten years. Counting in as available for war both her First and Second Reserves, the total force fully trained are now 509,960 officers, non-commissioned officers, and men. The cost to the State of the men on actual service is about 250 yen per man, or not more than two-thirds the cost to Russia of her Army, which is the cheapest in Europe, and just about half the cost per man of Germany's Army, which is the most expensive. The simpler tastes of the East sufficiently account for this factor; but the most striking point is made by comparing the figures of population with the Army totals. This shows that, while France takes as many as 15 per 1000 to make up her Army, Germany takes ten, Russia six, and Japan only three.

The German Fleet.
The Berlin correspondent of a London contemporary says:—The new organization of the Home-Battle-ship Division has been concluded by the commissioning of the battle-ship *Zähringen*. All the completed ships of the Wittelsbach class have hoisted the pennant, namely, the *Wettin*, *Wittelsbach*, and *Zähringen*. Together with one ship of the Kaiser class, *Kaiser Karl der Grosse*, they form a separate division. According to present arrangements, the ships will continue their trials to the end of the year, and will proceed to the North Sea Station, to which they belong, when frost sets in. The new formation is a notable increase in strength, besides securing a complete and homogeneous arrangement of the fighting units of the First Division. The German Battle Fleet is, without exception, armed with quick-firing guns. The heavy artillery includes 22 quick-firing guns, against 20 formerly. The number of quick-loading guns has risen from 230 to 272. The strengthening of the central battery, which was quite inadequate in ships of the Brandenburg type, and the improvement of the armour, are important features. The torpedo armament, up to the stern tube, is below the waterline, and is, therefore, better protected. The number of men has increased by 246. The fourth ship of the Wittelsbach type will be commenced in April, 1903, when the *Seeadler* Dockyard will have completed the *Mecklenburg*.

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At Middlesbrough, Sheffield United (2) beat Middlesbrough (0).
At Newcastle, Liverpool (2) beat Newcastle United (1).
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At Edinburgh, St. Mirren (three) beat Heart of Midlothian (one).
At Glasgow, Hibernians (three) beat Queen's Park (one).
At Greenock, Greenock Morton (four) beat Port Glasgow (three).
At Kilmarnock, Kilmarnock (two) drew 3rd Lanark (two).
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1902.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency Sir Henry A. Blake, G.O.M.G., Governor, presided at the meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council, which was held on the 9th inst. in the Council Chamber. There were also present—

H.E. Major-General Sir W. J. Gascoigne, (Commanding the Garrison).
Hon. Dr. F. H. MAY, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary).
Hon. Sir HENRY S. DEBRIELEY (Attorney-General).
Hon. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).
Hon. R. MURRAY RUSSELL, R.N. (Harbour Master).
Hon. W. CHATMAN (Director of Public Works).
Hon. C. W. DICKSON.
Hon. Dr. F. W. CLARK (Medical Officer of Health).
Hon. Dr. Ho KAI, C.M.G.
Hon. W. A. YUK.
Hon. C. S. SPALDING.
Hon. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
Hon. R. SHERMAN.
Mr. C. CLEMENTI (Acting Clerk of Council).

According to notice given at the last meeting of the Council, Mr. Playfair moved, "That His Excellency the Governor should be requested to appoint an independent Committee unconnected with the Public Works Department to examine into the truth of the statements contained in the return tabled by the Director of Public Works of the supply of water to the upper works of the Peak in November last and up to the date of that return." He said before submitting the reasons why he moved the resolution he would read the following letter from one of the residents of the Peak district:—He left out all names, but the original of the letter he would hand to His Excellency. He read the letter as follows:—

Hongkong, 6th Dec., 1902.
Dear Sir, I understand that in a return laid before the Legislative Council by the Director of Public Works the water supply was shown as satisfactory, and I believe the delay in getting out the water accounts was ascribed to the employment of high officers of the Department on inspection for the compilation of this return. The statement that the supply is satisfactory is distinctly contrary to fact, and the only officer of the department I can hear of as having visited the house is one of the men who were sent to inspect the water supply. On the other hand I informed the Director of Public Works early in November in a letter, which he has not yet acknowledged, that on one day the amount delivered through the pipe was half a bucket, and pointed out that that was not sufficient for 19 souls. My next door neighbour tells me that he has had to have his water obtained by cisterns. The supply cannot have been inspected by an engineer as he would have seen that an adequate supply cannot run through the size of pipe in 2 of an hour with the pressure allowed. Yours truly,
The Hon. G. W. F. Playfair.

From this letter His Excellency would see that poor old Solomon, the black man, was the most competent person that the Director of Public Works had at hand to help him to compile this important return. He was surprised to find that when the Director of Public Works penned his return at that time he had in his hands an unanswered letter distinctly contrary to that statement. He drew the Director of the Council to the fact of the unanswered letter; he had heard of several other letters which had remained unanswered. That was surely a discreditable result. He was sure that the Director had a reasonable cause of complaint, that he should be treated with confidence, quickly ignored. No doubt they would hear about corroded pipes and all the things being turned on the same time, but it was a very well-known fact—known to a matter of fact to the Director of Public Works himself—that very many of the residents of the Peak had been employing cisterns to get the water which they required from wells. He also referred to a letter which had appeared in the public press from a lady living in Mountain View Terrace. These facts and the letter he had read were quite sufficient justification, he thought, for the motion which he brought forward. He was tired of asking questions which were productive of no results, and he thought it was for the benefit of the efficiency of the administration of the Colony that the Public ought to know from time to time how things were managed or mismanaged. He had his own opinion as to where the real fault lay. He had directly to accuse the Government of adopting a system of mismanagement in not providing the Director of Public Works with a sufficient staff with which to carry on the work of his responsible department. The additions which had been made were not adequate.

His Excellency pointed out to Mr. Playfair that the matter into which he was going had nothing to do with the resolution. Mr. Playfair said he was proving the truth of his statement. His Excellency—For you are going into matters which have nothing whatever to do with the matter-of-fact subject which your resolution has reference to, and I cannot allow that. This is a question of fact, whether a certain statement made by a public official is true or false.

Sir Henry Berkeley—And whether he is undermanded or not does not apply to that issue.

Mr. Playfair—Then I think that all I have to say is that I don't think it is necessary for me to say more than I have done, and I have only to add that I have worded the resolution very mildly. I simply propose the resolution, and leave it in your hands. Mr. Sharp said that several complaints having been made about the table, which were confirmed in the statement now placed upon the table, he suggested the resolution, simply published. Mr. Chatham said he had endeavored in the short time which had intervened since the last meeting, to verify from the various sources whose names appear in the report laid before the Council, the remarks made therein. He had been able to secure the information he wanted in 25 or 26 cases, and 23 of these corroborated what he had said. The remaining five were doubtful or show the report to be incorrect. The matter was still in his hands, and he hoped to report to His Excellency the result of his investigation. Mr. May said that from the remarks that had dropped from the mover of the motion, Mr. Playfair seemed to have been labouring under a misapprehension. He spoke of the report having been "penned" by the Director of Public Works. Mr. Playfair—Excuse me, I did not say "penned." I said presented.

Mr. May—I beg your pardon, I must have misunderstood. Proceeding, Mr. May said that as the report was only that of a subordinate of the Director of Public Works, this subject was hardly one that should be referred to the Committee asked for. He was sure that the mover and seconder would agree that if the Director had been at fault in this matter there was no one who would be more anxious to follow up the matter and investigate it thoroughly, than the head of the department, himself (hear, hear). That seemed to him to be the proper course, to that there was no necessity for the Committee asked for. The Director had already said that attention having been drawn to the report he was investigating it thoroughly, and he thought the Council might rely upon Mr. Chatham to make the investigation a very searching one.

Mr. Playfair said he quite agreed with the Colonial Secretary. He had not any special desire to press the resolution to a division, publicity having already been given to the matter. He would therefore ask his seconder's leave not to press it to a vote; but at the same time he hoped that the Government would see that there was a great deal of truth in what he and others had said.

Mr. Sharp assented to the withdrawal of the motion.

His Excellency—I quite agree with the proposer of the resolution in what he says as to the necessity of accuracy in all statements made in this Council. It is a very serious thing when any statement is made here, and which as a matter of course, the Council has a right to accept, as being true, turns out to be, even in part, untrue. I have no doubt that the Director of Public Works will sit this matter to the bottom.

During the consideration in Committee of the Public Health Consolidation and Amendment Bill, Mr. Sharp quoted an opinion given him by Mr. W. Danby, M.P., in reference to the subject of the Bill, which provides for greater thickness in walls. "In all my long experience here," said Mr. Danby, "I have never known of a house collapsing that has been built in accordance with the present Building Regulations. After the sad experience of last year, Mr. Sharp thought that in no precaution should be left unattended in order to prevent the loss of life. At the same time there was no necessity to adopt such drastic restrictions, and he desired to know from Mr. Chatham if he concurred with Mr. Danby.

Mr. Chatham said he considered that several of the collapses were due to insufficient strength of wall.

Sir Henry Berkeley—And we have houses built by architects' plans and yet collapse. The opinion of the jury was that the walls were not thick enough.

Mr. Chatham—A common jury (laughter). Sir Henry Berkeley—A "common sense" jury (renewed laughter). Several amendments were agreed to.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.
(Before His Honour Sir William Goodham, Chief Justice).
Friday, December 12.

A QUARRY CASE.

Li Ping, building contractor, of 10, High Street, Victoria, sued Chan Tung, also a contractor, for \$10,000 damages for quarrying on plaintiff's land at Ma-ta-tok. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon, of Messrs Deacon and Hastings Office) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Mr. Grist (Messrs Wilkinson and Grist), defended.

Mr. Sharp said that for the past forty years it had been the practice of the government to grant from year to year leases giving the exclusive right to quarry granite on certain lands in the Colony to persons who were described as quarry farmers. According to the terms of the lease the quarry farmer was entitled during one month succeeding the expiring date of his lease, to remove such stone as he had quarried prior to the date of termination. The defendant prior to January, 1901, had possession of the farm, but for that year, although Chan Tung held the farm, it was acquired by the plaintiff. Notwithstanding this change of title, the defendant continued to quarry on the land during the months of January, February, and March, 1901. He knew that he was not entitled to do what he did do, because he had brought the quarrying business to the present against Yun San, who he did not touch upon the plaintiff's quarry was evidently in order to fulfil several legal contracts which he had entered into with Messrs. Punched, Lowther, and Co., who were then constructing their present works to the north of the quarry in question. As to the question of the amount of damages, that, of course, would be a matter for consideration before the Registrar.

Mr. Sharp opposed this latter suggestion. It was distinctly a matter for the Court. Mr. Sharp said that, if simply from the point of view of convenience, it was desirable that the question of amount should be left to the Registrar. He recited a large experience of his own, a Swamese case in which he had appeared and which dragged out on during five months, and he said that he was quite prepared to spend a reasonable time over the case, but he did not think he would be acting in the public interest, if he were to sit for a week listening to evidence of merely about how much or how little the stone was removed during a particular period of time.

Mr. Sharp—Quite so, my lord. Mr. Slade—Of course, it is not necessary to go into the question just at this stage. His Lordship—This is so. Evidence was then submitted.

[Proceeding.]

THE UNLUCKY BOY.

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HONGKONG REGATTA.

SECOND DAY.—Thursday, 11th Dec. 1902.

A gay company of spectators watched the races from the decks of the *Daylight*. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Blake came on board during the afternoon and were warmly welcomed by the officials. Miss Goodman handed the Ladies Prize to W. O. Köhler, who stroked the winning crew, and who expressed the appreciation of the gracefully-made presentation by offering her a pretty bouquet. In giving the other victors their prizes, Lady Blake also handed to Captain Resende, of the *Daylight*, a handsome souvenir of the two days' racing, some pieces of silverware. Three cheers were accorded her ladyship, who was thanked in a graceful few words by the Hon. F. H. May, Chairman of Committees. Cheers were afterwards raised for Lady Blake, His Excellency, and Mr. May.

FOR MEN-OF-WAR'S GIGS AND WHALERS.—First Prize, \$15. Second \$5. The Boats to be approved by the Committee. Time allowed for race, 8 seconds per oar. Three Boats must start. Service oars and conditions. Four boats lined up for the starter's gun. The *Glory* rowed six oars, and had to concede eight seconds each to the *Other* and *Algerine* (five oars), and sixteen seconds to the *Hurdy* (four oars). The *Glory* led *Algerine*, and made a splendid race, and were followed by the *Other*. The *Hurdy*'s crew rowed manfully together, but they were outclassed and outweighed by both *Glory* and *Algerine*, the latter pair finishing in the order given with 25 seconds between them. The *Algerine* afterwards lodged an objection against *Glory*, alleging a foul. Time, 9 mins. 17 secs.

Glory 1
Algerine 2

PARADES.—Presented by the Parades Community of Hongkong. For Four-oars. Distance, One Mile. Entrance, \$10. To be rowed in boats the property of Victoria Recreation Club and Hongkong Boat Club.

Boat No. 2.—Green and White.
Station No. 1.—Green and White.

Bow . . . H. M. Bain 9 4
2nd . . . G. P. Pappier 11 3
3rd . . . G. H. Edwards 11 3
Stroke . . . W. O. Köhler 12 7
Cox . . . B. W. B. Kennott 10 0

Boat No. 2.—White, crimson & blue shell.
Station No. 2.—White, crimson & blue shell.

Bow . . . F. D. Bain 9 12
2nd . . . F. K. Taka 10 1
Stroke . . . A. E. Alves 11 11
Cox . . . S. A. Seth 10 0

Boat No. 3.—Green and White.
Station No. 3.—Green and White.

Bow . . . J. B. Bousquet 12 0
2nd . . . E. Davies 10 5
3rd . . . E. Andrus 11 0
Stroke . . . H. L. Bings 12 3
Cox . . . R. P. Grant 10 0

Boat No. 4.—Chocolate and light blue.
Station No. 4.—Chocolate and light blue.

Bow . . . N. H. Alves 9 4
2nd . . . A. E. Asger 9 4
3rd . . . A. Humphreys 11 6
Stroke . . . C. E. A. Dances 11 11
Cox . . . F. W. White 10 0

Boat No. 1.—Green and White.
Station No. 5.—Green and White.

Bow . . . E. Laders 11 1
2nd . . . R. Curt 10 4
3rd . . . W. Armstrong 10 0
Stroke . . . F. C. Barrow 10 0
Cox . . . E. G. Smith 10 0

Boat No. 2.—White and Blue.
Station No. 6.—White and Blue.

Bow . . . F. M. Rosa Pereira 10 0
2nd . . . R. C. W. Mitchell 10 10
3rd . . . A. A. Alves 11 6
Stroke . . . R. Lapley 11 4
Cox . . . C. H. W. Ke 10 0

Boat No. 7.—Dark blue and light blue.
Station No. 7.—Dark blue and light blue.

Bow . . . J. Miller 10 12
2nd . . . H. H. Hance 10 1
3rd . . . J. Mack 10 1
Stroke . . . H. Horst 10 0
Cox . . . C. M. S. Alves 10 0

Boat No. 4.—Green and White.
Station No. 8.—Green and White.

Bow . . . H. N. Ferrers 11 6
2nd . . . K. Brand 11 3
Stroke . . . A. Tolke 10 11
Cox . . . B. S. Browne 10 0

Boys' RACE.—Pair Oars (Open to all Schools in the Colony) Half Mile. Each School to be represented by one Cox only. Age 15 and under. Entrance free. To be rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club and Hongkong Boat Club.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.
Station No. 1.—White and dark blue band. Powerful.

Bow . . . H. Bunji —
Stroke . . . E. Bunji —
Cox . . . H. C. Sayer —

DIODESSA SCHOOL.
Station No. 2.—Dark Blue. Terrible.

Bow . . . S. Mathews —
Stroke . . . C. Blumharp —
Cox . . . C. W. Mitchell —

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.
Station No. 3.—White, Black-Shell. Jubilee.

Bow . . . F. M. Remondies —
Stroke . . . J. M. Rocha —
Cox . . . C. S. Alves —

An interesting race between Queen's College and Diodesa School. The former won by 1 1/2 lengths. An indifferent third. Time, 5 mins. 10 secs.

Queen's College 1
Diodesa School 2

LATE TELEGRAMS.

Small Island.

Allahabad, November 26.—Lieutenant Colonel C. L. Mallis, V.C., of Ashanti fame, who has been on furlough in England, has just rejoined his regiment, the Bombay Grenadiers, of which he is second-in-command, at Bombay, being thus the first to take part in the advance into the interior of Somaliland.

Obituary.
Allahabad, November 26.—Lieutenant Colonel Norton, Royal Garrison Artillery, Barrackpore, commanding the Brigade Division of Mountain Artillery, Northern Army, died at the Station Hospital Unalaba, from inflammation of the intestines on Monday evening.

Murder.
Allahabad, November 26.—Private John Abbott, 1st Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, was tried at Belgaum early in October for the murder of Captain Navee by shooting him. The Court-martial found the prisoner guilty of the crime, and sentenced him to death. The sentence has been confirmed by the Commander-in-Chief in India and approved by the Governor-General in Council.

Argentine-Chili Boundary.
London, November 26.—King Edward's award in the Argentine-Chili boundary dispute is a compromise and gives Chili 54,000 square kilometers and Argentina 40,000.

Afghan Affairs.
Allahabad, November 27.—Preparations are proceeding in Quetta for the despatch next month of Major McMahon's mission to settle the dispute between the British and the Afghans and to bring about a settlement of claims to irrigation channels. The local situation, so far as genuine cause of unrest are concerned, has been much relieved by the recent floods down the Helmand, which occurred in the first place owing to drought in Afghanistan and the consequent drying up of the Helmand in its lower reaches. Among the officers accompanying Major McMahon will be Captain A.D.G. Ramsay, Personal Assistant to the Commander-in-Chief, and Captain Webb, of the Indian Staff, Intelligence Officer; Captain Bell, Central India Office; and a number of native officials with local knowledge. The escort will consist of a squadron of the Sind Horse and a detachment of the 24th Punj Regiment with a Maxim gun. Captains Walker and Mitchell will be the officers with the Infantry.

South Africa.
London, November 24.—Mr. Chamberlain replying to Mr. Wanklyn regretted the Dutch Church's treatment of Pastor Voik, who has been compelled to resign on account of his loyalty. The Imperial Government had indicated that the Cape Government would not permit Imperial or Transvaal money to be employed to compensate rebels.

America and India Contracts.
The Standard says the New York Universal Fuel Company under the management of Mr. Joseph Leiter is reported to have a good share in the proposed contracts of twelve million dollars for building coaling plants, blast furnaces, and iron mills in India. This is connected with Mr. Tata's visit to America.

Mr. Roosevelt in a speech at Philadelphia said the United States had to deal with many serious industrial questions, including trade, but it had the power and would find the way to solve them.

Human Sacrifice at Poona.
Bombay, November 24.—A native beggar boy has been found horribly mutilated in a lane at Poona. From the signs of offerings, the theory is advanced that it is a case of living sacrifice by a fanatic.

France and Siam.
London, November 18.—M. Etienne has submitted to M. Delcasse the result of the Siam-Deleasse mission. He believed that France had obtained from Siam the maximum concessions. He was convinced that the Government would accept the advantages of the mission, and would recognize France's efforts to secure the rights of control over the Mekong.

The Iron and Steel Industries of India.
Calcutta, November 24.—The London correspondent of the *Englishman*, telegraphing on the 23rd inst. states that the New York correspondent of the *Daily Mail* announces that Mr. Jamsetjee Tata, now in the United States, has placed with American owners contracts for iron plant to the value of over two million dollars. The respondent of the London *Times*, who is owner of vast mineral deposits in the Central Provinces of India, declares that he hopes to render India self-supporting in the matter of iron and steel.

Cricket in India.
Bombay, November 24.—The Authentic and great cricket match, the last 11 now players, Kirkir and Mithun playing out time. The Authentic score 356, and the Hindoos 158 and 227 for 9 wickets.

November 25.—At a recent meeting of the last day's play, the Hindoos were gaining an overwhelming victory. The Authentic had Mr. Clayton about with an injured hand. Their second innings was disastrous, and the Paris were left with only 30 runs to bat in 80 minutes, which they accomplished for the loss of two wickets. Bulsara took 3 wickets for 28 runs, Mr. Mehta 3 for 59, Mr. Mehta 2 for 8. Mr. Mehta bowled well, sending down thirteen maidens in 25 overs.

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Old Patna, cash 1000
New Benares, cash 987 1/2
Old Benares, cash 1030/6040
New Malwa, credit 1060/1070
Allowance, Tels 0/8
Old Malwa credit 1080/1100
Allowance, Tels —
Persian, Op —
Allowance, Tels —
Persian, Paper tied, 770/700
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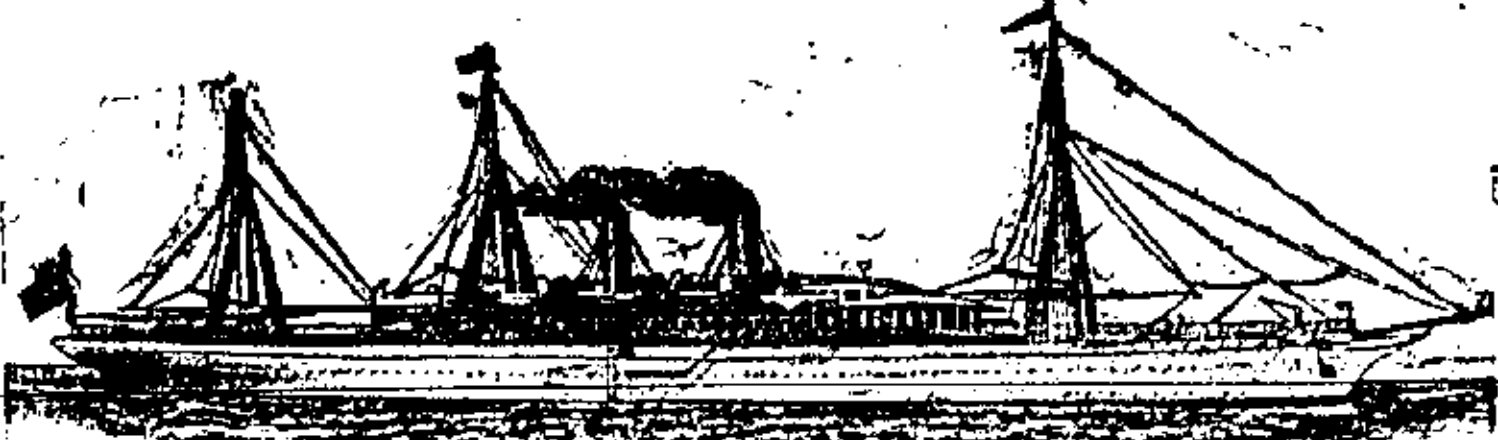
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